

Program

TAMWORTH

Thursday 26 August

northern inland regional waste
NIRW

7:15 AM – 8:30 AM

Business Breakfast

Tamworth Regional Entertainment Centre

An opportunity to network with other business people and organisations in the region.

Guest Speaker: Molly Robson, Chair of Keep Australia Beautiful National and former Queensland Minister for Environment and Heritage

8:00 AM

Registration & Refreshments

Tamworth Regional Entertainment Centre

9:00 AM

Official Welcome

Tim Rogers, Department of Environment & Conservation NSW

9:10 AM

Council Welcome: Towards a more sustainable Tamworth

James Treloar - Administrator, Tamworth Regional Council

9:20 AM

Local Case Study 1: Livestock and greenhouse gas

Roger Hegarty, Department of Primary Industries

9:45 AM

Local Case Study 2: Energy smart business goes gold

Colin Barry, University of New England

10:10 AM

Local Case Study 3: Water use around Tamworth – a sustainable approach

Michael Bryant, Tamworth Regional Council

10:35 AM

MORNING TEA

11:30 AM

State Government Forum

The Sustainability Framework

A brief presentation by panel members who address the key question of ... "How are we working towards sustainability?". This will be followed by questions and general discussion.

Facilitated by: Grahame Collier, T Issues Consultancy

Panel Representatives from:

- Tim Rogers, Department of Environment and Conservation NSW (DEC)
- Jim Thompson, Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources (DIPNR)
- Ian Higgins, Department of Energy, Utilities and Sustainability (DEUS)
- Frank Hay, Department of State and Regional Development (DS&RD)
- Bob Freebairn, Department of Primary Industries (DPI)
- Jim McDonald, Namoi Catchment Management Authority
- Peter Resch, Northern Inland Regional Waste (NIWR)

12:30 PM

LUNCH

1:30 PM

WORKSHOPS

Regional issues arising from the earlier morning presentations and the State Government Forum will form the basis for informal workshop sessions based upon 3 primary themes:

Business Practices

facilitated by David Holmes (DEC) & Frank Hay (DS&RD)

- Gaining a business advantage by being sustainable
- Communicate benefits to your customers

Agriculture

facilitated by Bob Freebairn (DPI)

- Working with water restrictions
- Tackling salinity and other local initiatives

Local Government

facilitated by Peter Resch (NIRW) & Alberta O'Keeffe (DEUS)

- Making your home energy and water smart
- Resource management initiatives

3:00 PM

Seminar Wrap-Up

3:30 PM

Post Seminar Refreshments

4:30 PM

Close of Seminar

VENUE

Tamworth Regional Entertainment Centre
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